# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## FISCAL NOTE

## SB 975 - HB 2011

March 27, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Department of Military to coordinate the Tennessee wireless interoperable communication system (TnWin); creates the TnWin fund in the state general fund as a reserve account. Funds appropriated to the TnWin fund shall be spent to provide wireless interoperable communications and broadband availability statewide with a goal of completion of a statewide infrastructure in FY2016.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Other Fiscal Impact – The bill sets up a process for the collection of state and federal funding for the development of a statewide wireless interoperable communication system (TnWin). It is unknown how much money will be appropriated for this project. However, it is estimated that state and federal moneys necessary to fund this project in an adequate amount will exceed \$100,000,000.

### Assumptions:

- The Governor, by Executive Order, directed the establishment of the 13-member Tennessee Public Safety Wireless Communications Advisory Board in August 2007. The Board is attached to TEMA for administrative purposes.
- Pursuant to Executive Order Number 49, the Military Department, acting through TEMA, was authorized to plan, project, and expend funds from an account established by the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, within the Military Department to plan, design, develop, implement and maintain the statewide public safety wireless communications system.
- According to TEMA, implementation of the project has been suspended due to a lack of funding at the present time.
- According to TEMA, this bill sets up a process for the collection of state and federal funds with fiscal year 2016 as the target for completion of the TnWin project.

• It is estimated that the TnWin project would cost in excess of \$100,000,000.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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